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SUBJ: PRG LETTER OF PROTEST AND INDONDSIAN PRESS STATEMENT
IN RESPONSE

1. ON MARCH 19 CHIEF OF THE PRG DELEGATION TO THE TPJMC SENT THE FOLLOWING LETTER OF PROTEST TO AMBASSADOR DHARSONO, HEAD OF THE INDONESIAN DELEGATIONHAND MARCH CHAIRMAN OF THE ICCS, UCCKSUHG THS INDONESIANS OF MAKING UNILATERAL INVESTIGATION OF CEASE-FIRE VIOLATIONS, AN ACTIVITY HE SAID WAS CONTRARY TO THE SPIRIT AND LETTER OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT. THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION ON RECEIVING THE LETTER ALSO LEARNED THAT THE PRG HAFONOTIFIED THE PRESS OF THEIR ACTION;IAS THE FIRST RESPONSE TO THIS LETTER, THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION ISSUED A PRESS STATEMENT ON MARCH 20 THE TEXT OF WHICH FOLLOWS THE TEXT OF THE LETTER.

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AMBASSADOR H. R. DHARSONO
HEAD OF THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION
CHAIRMAN OF THE ICCS

SUBJECT: UNILATERAL ACTIVITIES OF THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION TO THE
INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION

EXCELLENCY,

1/- I RESPECTFULLY PRESENT MY COMPLIMENTS TO AND HAVE THE HONOUR TO
DRAW HIS EXCELLENCY'S ATTENTION TO THE FOLLOWING MATTER:

ACCORDING TO STILL INCOMPLETE STATISTICS, JUST SINCE SEPTEMBER
1973, THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION HAS MANY A TIME DESIGNATED ITS PER-
SONNEL TO MAKE UNILATERAL INVESTIGATIONS OR OBSERVATIONS INTO THE SO-
CALLED CEASEFIRE VIOLATIONS (LODGED BYHHE RVN SIDE TO SLANDER THE
PRG RSVN). INVOLVED PLACES AND DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

-REGION II: IN TAM KY AND CHU LAI ON OCTOBER 2, 1973.

-REGION III: IN PHU CAT (BINH DINH) ON SEPTEMBER 22, 1973;
AND AT CU HANH AIRFIELD (PLEIKU) ON NOVEMBER 24, 1973.

-REGION IV: IN HAM KIEM (HAM THUAN, BINH THUAN) ON
SEPTEMBER 26, 1973; AND IN HAAI DUC (BINH TUY) ON FEBRUARY 27,
1974.

-REGION V: IN BEN CAT (BINH DUONG) ON OCT 22, 1973; AT BIEN
HOA AIR BASE ON NOV 24, 1973; AT NHA BE ON
DEC 8, 1973; AT MANY PLACES IN PHUOCLONG ON
DEC 7, 8, 9 AND 10, 1973; AT LAI KHE (BINH DUONG) ON FEB 14,
1974 AND RECENTLY AT BIEN HOA AIR BASE ON MARCH 7, 1974.

-REGION VI: IN TAN THANH (TRUC GIANG, BEN TRE) ON SEPT 14,
1973; IN GIONG TROM (BEN TRE) ON OCT 2, 1973; IN MOC HOA
(KIEN TUONG) ON OCT 4, 1973; IN MY THO ON OCT 30, 1973; ON ROUTE
12 (NORTH OF CAI LAY, MY THO) ON DEC 21 AND 22, 1973; IN MO CAY
(BEN TRE ON DEC 17, 1973; IN GIONG TROM (BEN TRE) ON
DEC 19, 1973 AND IN CAI LAY (MY THO) ON DEC 19, 1973; IN VINH
KIM (MY THO) ON DEC 26, 1973; IN GIONG TROM (1KM FROM THE DISTRICT
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TOWN) ON FEB 14, 1974; AND RECENTLY IN CAI LAY (MY THO) ON MARCH
10, 1974 ETC.

2/- THE ABOVE-SAID UNILATERAL ACTIVITIES OF THE INDONESIAN DELEGA-
TION, ON THE ONE HAND, ARE CONTRARY TO THE SPIRIT AND LETTER OF
THE PARIS AGREEMENT ON VIET NAM, IN VIOLATION OF ARTICLES 9(A)
AND 10(F) OF THE PROTOCOL CONCERNING THE ICCS, AND APPARENTLY
ON THE OTHER, NONINDICATIVE OF THE OBJECTIVITY AND IMPARTIALITY

A MEMBER DELEGATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION NEEDS TO ACQUIRE, ESPECIALLY IN THE PRESENT SERIOUS SITUATION WHERE THE US AND RVN SIDES ARE ESCALATING TO SABOTAGE THE CEASEFIRE AND THE AGREEMENT AND AT THE SAME TIME LOUDLY SLANDERING THE PRG RSVN AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DRVN. IN FACT, THOSE ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN AND NOW ARE BEING CAPITALIZED BY THE US AND RVN SIDES IN THEIR PROPAGANDA PLAN OF DISTORTIONS AND SLANDEROUS CHARGES. THEY ARE DETRIMENTAL TO THE PRESTIGE OF THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION AS WELL AS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION.

3/- THE PRG RSVN MILITARY DELEGATION TO THE CENTRAL TWO PARTY JMC CONSIDERS IT HIGH TIME TO CLEARLY ADOPT AN ATTITUDE AND ASK THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION TO CORRECTLY MEET ITS MANDATORY DUTIES IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF CONTROL AND SUPERVISION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND THE RELATED PROTOCOLS. HIS EXCELLENCY IS REQUESTED IN HIS CAPACITY AS HEAD OF THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION AND CHAIRMAN OF THE ICCS TO TAKE MEASURES TOWARDS AN END TO THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION'S UNILATERAL ACTIVITIES WHICH ARE NOT IN THE GOOD OF AND CONTRIBUTORY TO A STRICT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT AS WAS MENTIONED AFORE.

AVAILING MYSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY, I HOPE TO RENEW TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ICCS THE ASSURANCE OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

MAJOR GENERAL HONG ANH TUAN
CHIEF OF PRG RSVN MILITARY DELEGATION
CENTRAL TWO PARTY JOINT MILITARY COMMITTEE⁸⁹,

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3. QUOTE STATEMENT TO THE PRESS
BY THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION TO THE ICCS CATEGORICALLY REJECTS
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THE ALLEGATIONS BY THE PRG/RSVN MILITARY DELEGATION TO THE CTPJMC IN ITS LETTER TO THE DELEGATION DATED MARCH 19, 1974, CONCERNING THE SO-CALLED UNILATERAL ACTIVITIES OF THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION TO THE ICCS.

THE PRG/RSVN MILITARY DELEGATION TO THE CTPJMC APPARENTLY IS REFERRING TO THE OBSERVATIONS OR INVESTIGATIONS CONDUCTED BY THE INDONESIAN TEAMS IN COMPLYING WITH REQUESTS RECEIVED FROM ONE OF THE TWO PARTY JMC.

IN THIS CONNECTION THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION WISHES TO STRESS THAT THESE OBSERVATIONS OR INVESTIGATIONS HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED AFTER A SYSTEMATIC REFUSAL BY CERTAIN DELEGATIONS TO TAKE PART IN THE DISCHARGE OF THE DUTIES OF THE ICCS. THIS NEGATIVE ATTITUDE HAS

RESULTED THE INABILITY OF THE ICCS TO EXECUTE ONE OF ITS MANDATORY OBLIGATIONS FOR OVER 4 MONTHS.

HOWEVER, IT REGRETS TO STATE THAT WITH REGARD TO REQUESTS FROM THE PRG/RSVN MILITARY DELEGATION TO THE CTPJMC IT HAS BEEN PREVENTED FROM REALIZING THIS DUE TO THE PROBLEM ARISING FROM THE LATTER'S ABSENCE AT THE REGIONAL AND SUB-REGIONAL TEAM SITESWQ AND ALSO DUE TO NEW INTERPRETATIONS GIVEN TO THE PRINCIPLE OF SAFETY GUARANTEE IN CONDUCTING INVESTIGATIONS.

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